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TO: Division Directors of Testing

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SUBJECT: Flexibility for Limited English Proficient (LEP)

Students in Monitor Status for the English

Language Proficiency Assessment

For the 2006-2007 school year school divisions have the option of using the flexibility for monitor students that was available last year. This flexibility allowed LEP students in grades 4 through 8 who this year are in monitor status and who last year passed the Standards of Learning (SOL) Reading test to take only the SOL Reading test this year. These students would not have to take the English language proficiency test.

At this time monitor flexibility will not be extended to LEP students in monitor status in grades 9 through 12.

If you have questions, please contact the Division of Assessment and Reporting at darfax@doe.virginia.gov or (804) 225-2107.

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